

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5276

ANSWERED ON:05.04.2017

Mumbai Suburban Network

Adsul Shri Anandrao ;Munde Dr.Pritam Gopinath;Patil Shri Shivaji Adhalrao;Raut Shri Vinayak Bhaurao;Shrirang Shri Chandu Barne;Yadav Shri Dharmendra

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of unreserved ticket sales to Mumbai Suburban passengers during each of the last three years;
- (b) whether due to overcrowding in Mumbai local trains and stations, the number of accidents are increasing and if so, the facts in this regard;
- (c) whether almost 98 per cent of railway stations in the Mumbai Suburban Network pose a high risk or are "dangerous" to persons with disabilities and senior citizens;
- (d) if so, whether the Railways is not able to decongest suburban stations on the pattern of metro railway and to meet the requirement of all types of daily passengers and if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the steps being taken by the Railways to solve these problems and the manner in which these will be effective?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5276 BY DR. PRITAM GOPINATH MUNDE, SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL SHIVAJIRAO, SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL, SHRI DHARMENDRA YADAV, SHRI VINAYAK BHURAO RAUT AND SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 05.04.2017 REGARDING MUMBAI SUBURBAN NETWORK

(a) The details of passengers travelled in Mumbai Suburban area during each of the last three years are as given below :-

Year No. of Passengers

(in millions)

2013-14 2747

2014-15 2759

2015-16 2710

(b) No, Madam.

(c) No, Madam.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) The facilities to be provided at stations are an ongoing process. Various facilities are provided at Railway stations for passengers including specially designed coaches called SLRD with wider aisles in coaches, modified toilets, lower 2 berths for handicapped and upper berths for attendants which have been attached in many mail/express trains except Rajdhani, Shatabdi, Jan Shatabdi and Duronto trains. Ticket Counters and earmarked parking facility are provided at all A-1, A and B category stations. 80 Battery Operated Vehicles have already been provided at 54 major railway stations, and preference is given to Senior citizens, physically handicapped, pregnant

women and medically sick passengers. Instructions have been issued to provide one wheelchair per platform and in case of island platforms, one wheelchair per two platforms at all A-1 and A category stations. In Suburban trains, separate earmarked portion is available for physically challenged passengers.
